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SUBJECT: FEDERAL EXECUTIVE INSTITUTE VISIT TO VENEZUELA

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1. PURSUANT PARA. 2 REFTEL FEDERAL EXECUTIVE INSTITUTE HAS CAREFULLY DRAFTED STATEMENT FOR PRESS OR OTHER USE AT EMBASSY DISCRETION IN ORDER TO PLACE FEI VISIT IN PROPER PERSPECTIVE AS TRUE ACADEMIC ACTIVITY IN NO WAY RELATED TO SENSATIONAL OR CONTROVERSIAL ROLES ATTRIBUTED TO IT IN TABLOID PRESS. PUBLIC RELEASE NEITHER REQUESTED NOR REQUIRED BUT IS AUTHORIZED IF IN EMBASSY'S BEST JUDGMENT THIS WILL SERVE TO DEFLATE ADVERSE PUBLICITY AND CONTRIBUTE TO SOUND, BALANCED, USEFUL VISIT.

2. FEI STATEMENT FOLLOWS:

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QUOTE: THE FOREIGN POLICY SEMINAR OF THE FEDERAL EXECUTIVE INSTITUTE COMPRISES A GROUP OF SENIOR CAREER EXECUTIVES IN THE U.S. CIVIL SERVICE WHO ARE INTERESTED, AS PART OF THEIR EDUCATIONAL PROGRAM, TO STUDY LATIN AMERICAN ATTITUDES AND POLICIES TOWARD THE UNITED STATES. THESE EXECUTIVES ARE PART OF A LARGER GROUP OF SIXTY-FIVE CAREER OFFICIALS WHO ARE PARTICIPATING IN THE RESIDENTIAL PROGRAM IN EXECUTIVE EDUCATION IN CHARLOTTESVILLE, VIRGINIA, FOR EIGHT WEEKS, AND THEY SELECTED THE FOREIGN

POLICY SEMINAR FROM AMONG A NUMBER OF OPTIONS OFFERED. THEY WILL RETURN TO THE FEDERAL EXECUTIVE INSTITUTE WHEN THEIR VISIT TO CARACAS IS COMPLETED.

THE FEDERAL EXECUTIVE INSTITUTE WAS ESTABLISHED IN 1968 AS THE SENIOR STAFF COLLEGE OF THE CAREER CIVIL SERVICE AND IS UNDER THE ADMINISTRATION OF THE U.S. CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION. ITS STUDENTS ARE DRAWN FROM NEARLY ALL U.S. GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENTS AND AGENCIES, BOTH WASHINGTON AND FIELD OPERATIONS. THE PURPOSE OF THE INSTITUTE IS TO IMPROVE MANAGEMENT IN THE FEDERAL SERVICE.

THE FOREIGN POLICY SEMINAR IS PART OF A PROGRAM TO INCREASE APPRECIATION OF FOREIGN POLICY ISSUES. PREVIOUS SEMINARS HAVE VISITED MEXICO, PANAMA, AND CANADA. THE SEMINAR IS UNDER THE DIRECTION OF DR. DONALD E. NUECHTERLEIN, PROFESSOR OF INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS, AT THE FEDERAL EXECUTIVE INSTITUTE. UNQUOTE

3. AFTER GROUPS' ARRIVAL IN CARACAS, FEI REQUESTS THAT ANY UNAVOIDABLE PRESS CONTACTS AND INQUIRIES BE HANDLED BY PROF. NUECHTERLEIN OR IN CONJUNCTION WITH HIM.

4. FEI APPRECIATES MEETINGS AND BRIEFINGS ARRANGED ON ITS BEHALF AND HOPES THESE MAY INCLUDE SOME EXPOSURE TO MINISTRY OF MINES AND HYDROCARBONS. RUSH

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